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Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90;

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On December 17, 2012, Kathleen Q. Abernathy, Executive Vice President, External Affairs for Frontier Communications and Melissa Newman, Vice President, Federal Regulatory Affairs for CenturyLink, Inc., met with Priscilla Delgado Argeris, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Rosenworcel. In the meeting Ms. Abernathy and Ms. Newman urged the Commission to rapidly develop rules for the next round of Connect America Fund ("CAF") Phase I funding in accordance with the Commission's Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on the subject.¹ Acting expeditiously will ensure that price cap carriers can quickly commence deploying broadband to thousands of unserved locations across America.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §1.1206(b), this letter is being filed electronically with your office today.

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Michael Saperstein Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

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cc: Priscilla Delgado Argeris

¹ *In re: Connect America Fund, Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, WC Dkt. No. 10-90, FCC 12-138 (rel. Nov. 19, 2012).